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**ENTITLED: SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE AND MANUFACTURE OF THE SAME**

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Sir:

Responsive to the FINAL Office Action dated **October 22, 2002**, regarding the above-identified subject matter, the Applicant hereby respectfully submits the following amendment and response.